

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Benson  
Application No. : 10/566,847  
Attorney Docket No. : 200400034  
Group Art Unit : 3727  
Examiner : Guidotti, Laura Cole  
Filing Date : August 16, 2006

For: Methods and materials for making a monolithic porous pad cast onto a rotatable base

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER  
37 C.F.R. § 1.97(B)(4)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement are submitted in connection with the above-identified application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account Number **501-908** for the fee set forth in § 1.17(e) for this Request for Continued Examination. The Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account Number **501-908** for any deficiency or overpayment of fees necessary for this reply. This Response is being timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks and Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.